AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-11 (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) A method of previewing a document over a network, the method comprising:

providing system software for use on a client, wherein the system software allows a user of the client to use ~~a local~~ an application configured to at least one of: display or edit the document to request to remotely print the document, ~~wherein the local application is configured to at least one of: display or edit the document,~~ and ~~wherein,~~ in response to the request and without ~~further~~ user-initiated interaction with a server, ~~the system software:~~ generates a print file on the client based on the document, transmits the print file to [[a]] the server in response to the generation of the print file, and prompts the user to configure and preview a bound copy of the document using a browser in response to the transmission of the print file;

obtaining the print file from the system software executing on the client on the server; and

providing a configuration wizard for display in a browser on the client in response to a request from the client[[;]]

~~obtaining configuration information for the document on the server from the~~ ~~configuration wizard, wherein the configuration information defines finishing and binding~~ ~~options for a printed copy of the document;~~

~~generating a preview of a configured copy of the document on the server based~~ ~~on the print file and the configuration information; and~~

~~providing the preview for display at the client.~~

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the providing system software step includes installing at least one print driver for generating the print file on the client.

14. (Currently amended) The method of claim 13, further comprising:

~~listing each of the at least one print driver on a list of available printers for the~~ ~~client;~~

~~selecting one of the at least one print driver using the local application;~~

generating the print file <u>on the client</u> using ~~the~~ one of the at least one print driver <u>in response to the request</u>; ~~and~~

~~communicating~~ <u>transmitting</u> the print file to the server over the network <u>in response to the generating; and</u>

<u>prompting the user to configure and preview the bound copy of the document.</u>

15. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[12]] <u>34</u>, wherein the providing the preview step includes:

generating a configuration user interface on the server, wherein the configuration

user interface includes:

a preview area for displaying the configured copy of the document; and

a printing option area for obtaining the configuration information; and

providing the configuration user interface for display at the client.

16. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[12]] <u>34</u>, wherein the obtaining

configuration information step includes:

obtaining a style and a printing option for printing the document;

modifying the preview based on the print file, the style and the printing option;

and

providing the modified preview for display at the client.

Claims 17-19 (Canceled)

20. (Currently amended) A system for previewing a document over a network, the

system comprising:

<u>a component configured to provide system software for use on a client, wherein</u>

<u>the</u> system software <u>is</u> configured to allow a user to request to remotely print the

document, ~~wherein~~ <u>and</u>, in response to the request and without ~~further~~ user<u>-initiated</u>

interaction <u>with a server</u>, ~~the system software: generates~~ <u>generate</u> a print file on the

client based on the document, ~~transmits~~ <u>transmit</u> the print file to [[a]] <u>the</u> server in

response to the generation of the print file, and ~~prompts~~ <u>prompt</u> the user to <u>configure</u>

and preview a bound copy of the document using a browser in response to the transmission of the print file, wherein the print file can be directly printed by a printer;

~~means for obtaining~~ a component configured to obtain the print file from the system software executing on the client and configuration information for the document on the server, wherein the configuration information defines finishing and binding options for a printed copy of the document;

~~means for generating~~ a component configured to generate a preview of a configured copy of the document based on the print file and the configuration information on the server; and

~~means for providing~~ a component configured to provide the preview for display at the client.

21. (Previously presented) The system of claim 20, wherein the system software includes:

a print driver that generates the print file, wherein the print driver is included on a list of available printers for the client; and

an upload manager that communicates the generated print file to the server.

22. (Previously presented) The system of claim 21, further comprising a local application that generates the document, displays the list of available printers and enables a user to select the print driver from the list of available printers.

23. (Currently amended) The system of claim 20, further comprising:

~~means for generating~~ a component configured to generate a configuration user interface on the server, wherein the configuration user interface includes a preview area for displaying the preview and a printing option area for selecting at least one printing option; and

~~means for providing~~ a component configured to provide the configuration user interface for display at the client.

24. (Currently amended) A system for printing a document over a network, the system comprising:

~~means for providing~~ a component configured to provide system software for use on a client, wherein the system software is configured to enable a user of ~~a local application executing on the client~~ an application configured to at least one of: display or edit the document to request generation of a print file based on the document using the ~~local~~ application, generate the print file in response to the request without further user interaction, and transmit the print file to a server in response to the generation of the print file without ~~further~~ user-initiated interaction with the server;

~~means for obtaining~~ a component configured to obtain a print file from the system software executing on the client and configuration information for the document on the server, wherein the print file can be directly printed by a printer and the configuration information defines how to assemble a printed copy of the document;

~~means for generating~~ <u>a component configured to generate</u> a preview of a configured copy of the document based on the print file and the configuration information on the server; <u>and</u>

~~means for providing~~ <u>a component configured to provide</u> the preview for display at the client[[;]]

~~means for printing a copy of the document using the print file; and~~

~~means for assembling the copy as defined by the configuration information~~.

25. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[24]] <u>35</u>, further comprising:

~~means for obtaining~~ <u>a component configured to obtain</u> a delivery address for the copy; and

~~means for delivering the copy~~ <u>a component configured to provide the copy for delivery</u> to the delivery address.

26. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[24]] <u>35</u>, further comprising:

~~means for obtaining~~ <u>a component configured to obtain</u> payment information for the copy; and

~~means for processing~~ <u>a component configured to process</u> payment for the copy using the payment information.

27. (Previously presented) The system of claim 24, wherein the system software includes:

a print driver that generates the print file, wherein the print driver is included on a list of available printers for the client; and

an upload manager that communicates the print file to the server.

Claims 28-30 (Canceled)

31. (Currently amended) A computer program product comprising a computer recordable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein for printing a document, the program product comprising:

program code for providing system software for use on a client, wherein the system software allows a user of the client to use ~~a local~~ an application configured to at least one of: display or edit the document to request to remotely print the document, ~~wherein the local application is configured to at least one of: display or edit the document,~~ and ~~wherein~~, in response to the request and without ~~further~~ user-initiated interaction with a server, ~~the system software:~~ generates a print file on the client based on the document, transmits the print file to [[a]] the server in response to the generation of the print file, and prompts the user to configure and preview a bound copy of the document using a browser in response to the transmission of the print file;

program code for obtaining a print file from the system software executing on the client and configuration information communicated over a network, wherein the print file is based on the document and the print file can be directly printed by a printer and the configuration information defines how to assemble a printed copy of the document; and

program code for printing a ~~plurality of copies~~ <u>copy</u> of the document based on the print file and the configuration information.

32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the print file can be directly printed by a printer.

33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the print file comprises one of: a PostScript file and a Portable Document Format (PDF) file.

34. (New) The method of claim 12, further comprising:

obtaining configuration information for the document on the server from the configuration wizard, wherein the configuration information defines finishing and binding options for a printed copy of the document;

generating a preview of a configured copy of the document on the server based on the print file and the configuration information; and

providing the preview for display at the client.

35. (New) The system of claim 24, further comprising:

a component configured to print a copy of the document using the print file; and

a component configured to assemble the copy as defined by the configuration information.

36. (New) The system of claim 24, wherein the system software is further configured to at least one of: prompt the user to configure and preview a bound copy of the document using a browser or launch the browser to configure and preview the bound copy of the document in response to the transmission of the print file.

37. (New) A method of printing a document over a network, the method comprising:

obtaining document information for a document on a server from system software executing on a client, wherein the system software is configured to enable a user of an application to request generation of a print file based on the document using the application, generate the print file in response to the request without further user interaction, and initiate transmitting the print file to the server in response to the generation of the print file and without user-initiated interaction with the server;

generating a unique identifier for the document on the server and transmitting the unique identifier for use by the system software in response to obtaining the document information;

obtaining the print file on the server from the system software executing on the client subsequent to obtaining the document information;

storing the print file using the unique identifier;

obtaining a request for a configuration graphical user interface subsequent to obtaining the print file; and

providing the configuration graphical user interface for display in a browser on the client in response to the request.

38. (New) The method of claim 37, further comprising:

obtaining configuration information for the document on the server from the configuration graphical user interface, wherein the configuration information includes at least one printing option for the document and defines how to assemble a printed copy of the document;

printing a copy of the document based on the print file and the configuration information; and

assembling the copy of the document as defined by the configuration information.

39. (New) The method of claim 38, wherein the obtaining configuration information includes:

generating a preview of a configured copy of the document on the server based on the print file and the configuration information, wherein the configuration graphical user interface includes a preview area for displaying the preview and a printing option area for obtaining a printing option;

providing the preview for display at the client;

obtaining the printing option for printing the document from the configuration graphical user interface at the server;

modifying the preview on the server based on the print file and the printing option; and

providing the modified preview for display at the client.

40. (New) The method of claim 37, further comprising:

installing the system software on the client, wherein the system software includes at least one print driver for generating the print file and an upload manager for communicating the print file to the server;

generating the print file using one of the at least one print driver on the client; and

transmitting the print file over the network to the server using the upload manager.

41. (New) A method of generating a graphical user interface comprising:

generating content for a display area of the graphical user interface, wherein the display area concurrently includes:

a preview area for displaying a preview of a configured copy of a document, wherein the preview is based on a print file and configuration information for the document, wherein the configuration information includes at least one printing option and defines how to assemble a printed copy of the document;

a navigation area that enables a user to select a portion of the configured copy of the document displayed in the preview area;

an estimate area for displaying a price estimate for printing and assembling the configured copy, wherein the price estimate is based on the print file and the configuration information; and

a configuration area that enables the user to alter the configuration information, wherein the preview area and the estimate area are automatically updated based on the altered configuration information.

42. (New) A computer program product comprising a computer recordable storage medium having computer readable program code embodied therein for previewing a document, the program product comprising:

program code for generating a print file on a client based on the document in response to a request received from an application, wherein the print file can be directly printed by a printer;

program code for transmitting the print file to a server in response to the generation of the print file without user-initiated interaction with the server; and

program code for prompting the user to configure and preview a bound copy of the document using a browser in response to the transmission of the print file.

43. (New) The computer program product of claim 42, further comprising program code for installing the program code for generating and program code for communicating on the client, wherein the program code for installing causes an entry to be added to a list of available printers for the client.